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EXTRACELLULARLY SECRETE)
LIPIDS AND METHODS OF)
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LIPIDS USING SAID)
MICROORGANISMS)

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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action mailed on December 13, 2004,
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: